

Web Bonus: Stars & Strips Accent Quilt

Adapted from a Quilt Designed by
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Skill Level
CONFIDENT BEGINNER

Finished Quilt Size
18½" x 54½"

Number of Blocks and Finished Size
6 Star Blocks 6" x 6"

Fabric Requirements

Assorted blue prints (pieced strips)	5/8-3/4 yd. total
White print (background)	3/4 yd.
Assorted red prints (stars)	1/4-3/8 yd. total
Blue print (binding)	1/2 yd.
Backing	1½ yds.
Batting size	26" x 62"

Planning

Cheer up your table this summer with this runner of red stars and fun pieced strips. It's also great as a wall hanging or door banner.

Cutting Instructions

(cut in order listed)

Assorted blue prints—**cut a total of:**

- 6 strips 2½" x width of fabric (WOF)
- White print
 - *1 strip 6½" x 58", pieced from 2 WOF strips
 - 12 squares 27/8" x 27/8"
 - 24 squares 2½" x 2½"

Assorted red prints—**cut 6 matched sets of:**

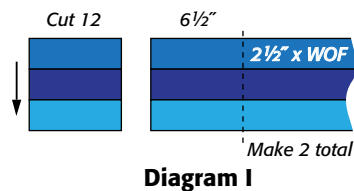
- 2 squares 27/8" x 27/8"
- 1 square 2½" x 2½"
- Blue print
 - 5 strips 2½" x WOF (binding)

Backing
2 rectangles 24" x WOF

*Background strip includes extra length for trimming.

Piecing the Strips and Blocks

1 Referring to **Diagram I**, sew together 3 assorted blue print WOF strips to make strip set. Make 2 total. Press in direction of arrow. Cut into 12 segments 6½" wide.



2 Draw diagonal line on wrong side of white print 27/8" square. Referring to **Diagram II**, place marked square on assorted red print 27/8" square, right sides together. Sew ¼" seam on each side of marked line; cut apart on marked line. Open and press to make 2 pieced squares. Make 6 sets of 4 matching.

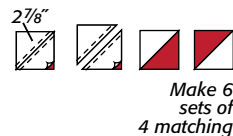


Diagram II

3 Referring to **Diagram III**, sew 3 rows using 4 white 2½" squares, 4 matching pieced squares, and matching red print 2½" square. Sew rows together to make Star Block. Make 6 total.

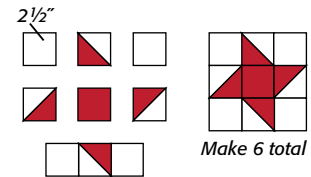


Diagram III

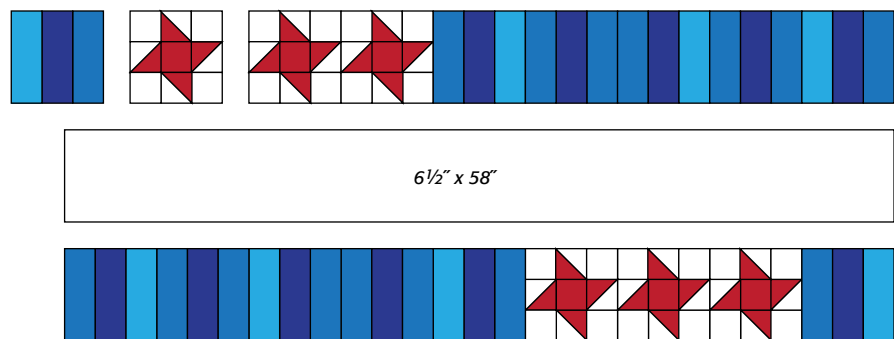
Assembling the Quilt Top

Note: Refer to **Assembly Diagram** for following steps.

- 4 Stitch 2 rows using 6 segments and 3 Star Blocks each.
- 5 Sew together rows and white print 58" strip, alternating and trimming white strip even after addition.

Quilting and Finishing

6 Sew together 2 backing 24" x WOF rectangles on short edges to make backing. Layer, baste, and quilt. Bind with blue print.



Assembly Diagram



The Stars & Strips lap quilt (66½" x 78½") is patterned in the *McCall's Quilting* May/June 2014 issue.